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Sarah A. Thornton, Clerk United States District Court District of Massachussets 1 Courthouse Way, Suite 2300 Boston, MA 02210

In Re: MDL 1657 Vioxx Products Liability Litigation L (3)

Dear Ms. Thornton:

Enclosed are certified copies of a transfer order received from the Multidistrict Litigation Panel in Washington, D.C. It instructs that the cases listed on the attached page be transferred to our district for disposition pursuant to Title 28 USC 1407, as soon as possible. Our office has assigned new civil action numbers to these cases as referenced on the attached page.

DO NOT FORWARD THE ORIGINAL RECORD. The Honorable Eldon E. Fallon, U.S. District Court Judge issued an order directing that the transfer of records consist of only a certified copy of the complaint (including notice of removal, if applicable), any amendments, the docket sheet and the MDL Transfer Order, together with a copy of the transfer letter be forwarded to the transferor court.

<u>Due to the high volume of cases involved in this litigation please provide</u>

<u>paper copies of the above documents instead of simply referring to your website</u>.

Your prompt attention in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Dina Guilbeau at (504)589-7704.

Very truly yours,

Loretta G. Whyte Clerk

Deputy Clerk

Enclosures

cc: Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation

Your Case Nos.	Case Title	Our Case Nos.
1:05-11307	Patricia Rafferty v. Merck & Co., Inc.	05-3841 L (3)
1:05-11308	Celia Houghton v. Merck & Co., Inc.	05-3842 L (3)
1:05-11309	Dorothy M. Basile v. Merck & Co., Inc.	05-3843 L (3)
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DOCKET NO. 1657

IN RE VIOXX PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

(SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE)

CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER (CTO-20)

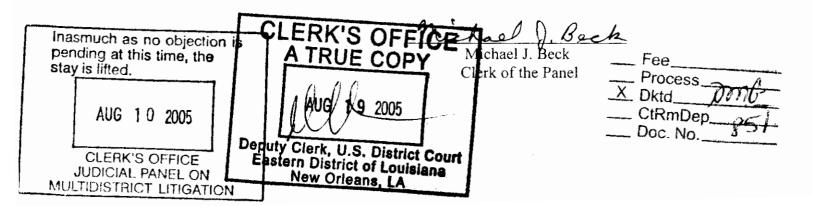
On February 16, 2005, the Panel transferred 138 civil actions to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407. Since that time, 832 additional actions have been transferred to the Eastern District of Louisiana. With the consent of that court, all such actions have been assigned to the Honorable Eldon E. Fallon.

It appears that the actions on this conditional transfer order involve questions of fact which are common to the actions previously transferred to the Eastern District of Louisiana and assigned to Judge Fallon.

Pursuant to Rule 7.4 of the <u>Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation</u>, 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), these actions are transferred under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 to the Eastern District of Louisiana for the reasons stated in the order of February 16, 2005, 360 F.Supp.2d 1352 (J.P.M.L. 2005), and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Eldon E. Fallon.

This order does not become effective until it is filed in the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana. The transmittal of this order to said Clerk shall be stayed fifteen (15) days from the entry thereof and if any party files a notice of opposition with the Clerk of the Panel within this fifteen (15) day period, the stay will be continued until further order of the Panel.

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